"'For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect,' Paul reminds us, and we should never forget it. This thought should temper every discussion, every conflict which rages among the sons of God.

"Man's knowledge is always limited by the circumstances of culture. To be man is to be finite, to be unable to reach beyond the realm of human understanding and emotion into that which is Absolute and True. If this is so, is there any wonder that we disagree? The remarkable thing is that we can find any agreement whatsoever.

"And this measure of agreement — is it not given by God as we stand together in His presence? Let us then stand together in love, confident that God will grant us that measure of truth which is necessary to the task at hand, and that measure of light which guides our next step."


THANKFUL FOR BOUNTEOUS BLESSINGS

When our forefathers attempted to settle on a rugged New England coast they faced hunger, disease and cold weather without adequate shelter. Those who survived and saw better times were more thankful for their blessings because of the deprivations they had endured. We of this generation have few reminders of hard times though we are prone to complain far more than our forefathers.

A log cabin picture taken a few weeks ago on Crites Mountain, West Virginia, shows a Seventh Day Baptist pastor ministering to people of like faith whose economic circumstances are little better than of those who landed at Plymouth Rock and established Thanksgiving Day. When spiritual needs are felt and supplied the heart is thankful in spite of the shortage of the comforts of life. Thanksgiving Day should be a day of remembrance for all and, for those who live in abundance, a day of remembering those who have little of this world's goods.
The Heavens Declare

Since time immemorial thoughtful men have watched the heavens to discover if they could see some glorious and national plan of God. The men of old viewed through clean air brilliant skies as they came from the hand of the Almighty and all uncluttered by the hand of man, undimmed by his industrial smoke. Such views seldom meet the eye of the modern city dweller. Occasionally, however, a temporary combination of the handiwork of man and of God creates a view that is most stimulating.

Such a view greeted the eye of the editor on the last morning of October as he came to the open corner of Watchung and Seventh, a block and a half from the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Plainfield. It was a once-in-a-lifetime picture that ought to be preserved; but the two minutes required to get a camera from the office was too long; the striking aspects of the picture were gone long before the camera could be unlimbered. It reminds us that the most satisfying pictures are those instantly painted on the retina of the eye and recorded in the recesses of the mind. We are reminded that man is spoken of as the crowning act of creation and that only he has the faculty of appreciation and thankfulness for the glory of God declared by the heavens and perfectly revealed in Christ.

Word pictures can convey but vaguely the symbolic meaning of time of on the cool, crisp morning. For weeks there had been warm, dry, windless weather during which the polluted air had hung heavy with graying and smog clouds. Then came a day of rain, of low-hanging, folded black clouds driven by a blustering wind. This was the morning after the last rain of the season, and fresh, and the leaves threshed from spreading oaks had been pushed into windrows and hedgerows and were at rest. In such a spotless sky the activity of man could be seen. The giant planes on unexplained missions were riding high and forging their four-barreled vapor trails all unconscious of how they looked from this particular street corner. A tall-spired church close at hand split the crystal sky, itself looking black against the glaring morning sun that lighted its roof. In the foreground also was the city's American flag just hoisted high above the memorial of men who had died for their country. What a combination of human and national symbols! But this view frequently meets the eye at this location. What was different was the framing of the picture in the sky. The invisible plane, gracefully turning, had inscribed a circle with its vapor trails, a circle that had almost at its two ends a towering steeple and a full-blown flag. It was this beautiful white halo that dissipated before a camera could record the total picture.

How glorious it would be if all men could see, not momentarily at high points of experience, but continually the proper relation between patriotism, the church, and the smoking of the young. More earnestly that we might see to see in the clear atmosphere of biblical revelation the creative, redemptive, sustaining handiwork of God. May all our human efforts show to Him our appreciation and thankfulness as we raise our flags, erect our churches, and cast the patterns of our lives against the eternal blue.

Changing the Image of the Cigarette Smoker

The tobacco companies have labored consistently since the past generation or more to create an image of the cigarette smoker which is desirable enough to fix the habit on a vast majority of the young people. Let us endeavor more earnestly to change this image of the smoker, a plan that catches the unwise youth.

Can this image of the socially acceptable man and woman be changed? Not by a single voice of pulpits and pen or a campaign of health experts but perhaps by a combination of the two. Such a combination of forces is in business to make their living and their fortunes at the expense of the health and life of those caught in the cancer-fostering habit.

A new advertising campaign has been started by the American Cancer Society. Its purpose is to remove the image of cigarette smokers. We find the campaign featured in a story three columns wide in The New York Times of October 29. It pictures Bob Mathias, twice Olympic decathlon champion, saying "I don't smoke . . . athletes in top condition don't smoke — they can afford to smoke long lists of best-known athletes are making similar statements in this effort to change the image of the smoker. Whitey Ford, for instance, who last year did testimonials for a popular brand of cigarettes, is now in a series in which he discusses the evils of smoking. More and more religious journals are taking a new and positive image of cigarette smoking now that it demands to health and life are being so positively demonstrated. Christians Todayboldly states in a recent issue that habitual use of cigarettes is incompatible with biblical principle. The reasoning is that smoking links it with lung cancer has moved the habit "from a optional indulgence to a habit which can lead to a dangerous condition of the body. The editorial calls attention to the indefensible double standard in these words,
When areas stricken by natural disaster need aid or when our imagination is captured by the plight of miners trapped underground, we are capable of showing "reverence for life," yet at the same time we continue strangely apathetic to much needless suffering and loss of life right on our doorstep.

The editorial added:

"On the scriptural ground that the God who gives us a body requires accountability for its use, none of us has the right to contract any habit that has been shown to lead to grave illness and premature death.

We who are Christians can no more take a neutral view on death-producing smoking habits than a child producing driving or drinking habits. Let other preach nonsmoking on the basis of fear, let the Christian preach it on the basis of Christian principle; our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Such preaching has been going on for generations. The difference now is that the temperance people have more pointed illustrations.

Let's Count the Negroes Too

A Baptist news item under a Knoxville, Tenn., dateline opens with these striking figures: "More than 84 per cent of Knoxville's 200,000 residents over nine years of age are church members." It goes on to speak of the splendid co-operation of church people in this city. "The survey showed this southern city so far above the national average (63.4%). The survey was taken by 5,000 workers representing 117 churches. Orrin Morris, survey specialist, commented, "We had 93 per cent of the homes visited to give us complete information." The last sentence of the news release added this bit of information: "Although Negro churches were invited, they did not participate and the figures do not include the Negro population.

Of what statistical value is the "complete information" and the 84 per cent figure when a whole segment of the population is omitted? How can these figures be compared, as Mr. Morris does, with the national percentages which include the non-white population? Let's consider church membership and attendance of the Negroes too — they are people. Such a survey might reveal a need for more home mission work than is indicated by the gratifying results recorded.

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By Harley D. Bond

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As reported from the 41 denominations the giving for all benevolences was reduced by 16%. As reported by our churches Seventh Day Baptists showed an increase of 1.1%. At the same time, other denominations, showed a decrease of 16.1%.

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Editorial Notes

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We have become so used to thinking of a church in terms of a minister, a pastor, that we forget that we too are ministers. We forget that the Word of God is our established faith, and that it can be understood by any serious student. We are inclined to think that to be a church, a formal service, with preaching, must be held. But this is not true. Church service sometimes fails to give. To a great extent the service of a church is primarily monologue — the preacher speaking to the congregation with no opportunity for the congregation to reply or to ask questions. Dialogue is important in Christian growth. And dialogue is much more real in the small group meeting than it can be in the services of a large church. A monologue becomes sterile, while dialogue breeds life. There is a need for more dialogue in all church services. There is a need for an opportunity to share with one another the issues of life and religion.

Let’s Meet Present Needs, Not Past

In this day of population moving from place to place according to job requirements or for other reasons, the stability of a community is not as strong as it was in other times. And a group of people coming together out of common conviction at one time, may find that in a year or so the group no longer exists because many of its original members have gone elsewhere. Thus, it may happen that a year from now, or five years from now, the situation in a particular community may be far different from what it is today; and it may be that the service of a particular congregation may be no longer needed. On the other hand, if the congregation has really served the needs of those in its community it may have grown beyond all expectations.

We have been so concerned about the church which seems to be dying than we have about the establishing of new congregations. We would like to feel that the need of a church in any community might always exist. We should also encourage new groups in every place where there is a possibility of two or more families coming together for a sharing of study and religious conviction the Sabbath.

If you are a Seventh Day Baptist living in a community apart from the church, find out if there are other Seventh Day Baptists. The Woman’s Board, the Missionary Society and others have a master list of addresses. They would help you out in this regard.

And to our established churches: you need to become aware of these groups, you need to encourage your members to become a part of them when they live away from you. 

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ability to share your faith with others, to study with them the things of God?

Churches: Will you train and equip your members that when they move to another community, they are concerned to form a group for fellowship and for study?

It is only as we build new congregations, regardless of size, that we will fulfill the commission of Jesus Christ to share the Gospel with others.

community, they are concerned to form a group for fellowship which he believes with others. How many places are there in this country where there is a need for Seventh Day Baptists to meet together in study and in fellowship where there is now no established church? You who live away from the church know the need, and you must assume the responsibility to make the name of the commission of Jesus Christ.

Tract Board Committee Work

The weekend of November 2 and 3 was an unusually busy one for committees of the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society. The Supervisory Committee, charged with working out the problems of the Publishing House, had called a full meeting of South Jersey and Plainfield members to consider important matters. It was also the regular time of meeting for the Advisory Committee, which makes decisions relating to the editing of the Sabbath Recorder and the activities of the corresponding secretaries.

Between these two large committee meetings came the supper hour and a meeting of the heads of all committees of the Corresponding Secretary. It was also the regular time of meetings of the heads of all committees of the corresponding secretary.

Baptist Conversation Progress

By Wayne R. Rood

The Committee to Conduct Ecumenical Conversations has been in correspondence among its own members and with representatives of the American Baptist Convention. This correspondence has the following two lines of preparation which are being followed concurrently.

(1) Committee members have been invited by the chairman to state their interpretations of Seventh Day Baptist tradition regarding both separatism and cooperation, and their own convictions concerning what is negotiable and what is not negotiable in present Seventh Day Baptist belief and practice. From these responses, the committee will develop a posture with which to approach the American Baptist Convention Committee.

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Mission Work On Crites Mountain

By Clifford A. Beebe

The Crites Mountain mission field first came to our attention about twenty-five years ago through information from the Misses Maggie and Ozina Bee, loyal lone Sabbathkeepers of Coven, W. Va.

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If we fail to give it, they have nowhere else to look. We cannot build up here, in this generation, a self-supporting church. But no one can look into the faces of these thirty eager children and young folks, all cousins or double cousins, and all growing up to the belief of Seventh Day Baptists — no one can look at them and think only of the present generation.

Six weeks has been altogether too little time. It was closed on October 26, when we took Alva Sartin and eight young folks from three families to the Homecoming of the Lost Creek church. It was a long, rough ride in a truck, but an experience to remember, as none of these young folks had ever been in a Seventh Day Baptist church before, and they were made royally welcome.

Plans are already being made here for carrying on the work next year. The people want us to come back in the spring, and we hope to do so. Also plans are being made either for securing a little vacant one-room house for church purposes, or for building one of logs. A real opportunity for the lost is provided by a Seventh Day Baptist teacher to secure the one-room schoolhouse here; and the position will probably be open next year. There are about twenty pupils in all grades, most of them from our mission homes.

If we cannot come back next spring another worker should be found; or else these young folks will grow up without the influence of the church, and our opportunity will pass away.

Blessed are the Meek

Meekness is not just niceness, not weakness or compromise. It is controlled strength made available for God’s use.

— Raymond C. Ortlund.
to this country late in July or early in August 1964.

The board approved the action of the Executive Committee in the dismissal of the Rev. Alexander B. Trottman in British Guiana because of his failure to give the required leadership to the churches under his pastoral care. Funds were being made available, to be used at the discretion of Missionary Leland E. Davis, to provide spiritual leadership for the Uitvlugt and Bona Venture congregations.

Secretary Harris reported briefly on his visit with missionary personnel in Nysa­land, also national leaders, government officials, and Mr. Wills of the Linley, Wills and Co., lawyer firm. In reply to questions he told of the signing of the lease to the property on which the Makapwa Seventh Day Baptist Church stands, while he was present. He also spoke of his contact with Mr. Fitzgerald, a driller located at Blan­tye, who has agreed to drill for water at Makapwa Mission Station when satisfac­tory arrangements are made.

The Rev. John Schmid, pastor of the Irvington Seventh Day Baptist Church, presented the matter of the Irvington church aiding in support of Pastor Helmut Strauss as a leader of the Seventh Day Bapt­ist churches in Germany. The board voted: "After the Missionary Board approves the interest and desire of the Irvington Sev­enth Day Baptist Church to support the work of Mr. Helmut Strauss in Germany and that funds not yet received (or other sources) be forwarded through the board treasury to the German Seventh Day Baptist Conference.

After the dismissal prayer by Rev. Leon M. Malby the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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There is a continuing need. Certain members of the Conference Committee on Missionary Interests at Mission Farms have ordered about 14 million bookmarks containing the list of passages. Large numbers are also ordering copies of the Christmas story in a large-type booklet form for use in family devotions on Christmas Eve. Single copies may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Society at 450 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Appreciation of the worldwide work of the Bible Society can be expressed by gifts. The denominational identification of contribu­tions is encouraged and carefully recorded.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

Board Action

The following action was recorded at the October quarterly meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education:

Upon the recommendation of General Conference that a Seventh Day Baptist camping manual be prepared and sing the Rev. Alton L. Wheeler has begun a similar project and has offered to complete it and make it available to all our churches in cooperation with our board, we express our approval of this procedure.

It was voted that we reconsider earlier action of the board concerning the Ministers Conference being planned by the Council on Ministerial Education. Upon consideration it was voted that we ask for the approval of the Council to retract our offer to turn planning for the Ministers Conferences to it, and that said planning be placed once more under the care of the board's Committee on Higher Education.

Approval was given to Youth Work Committee action on the report of Rev. David Clarke, to attend, along with Secretary Zwiebel, the annual meeting of the Baptist denominational executive secretaries of Christian Education in Hamilton, Ontario, Nov. 14 and 15, 1963.

It was voted that the board co-operate with Conference President C. Rex Burdick as he plans for the part our board will respond with Conference President C. Rex Burdick of Christian Education in Hamilton, Ontario, and in Metairie, La., Dec. 4-15.

Other matters that came under discussion included the survey for opinion regarding the hiring of a full-time field worker, the ages of those attending Pre-Con Retreats, and the increase of correspondence with Miss Bingham.

Study Help

A pocket edition of points related to the study of the International Sabbath School lessons for 1964 has just been brought to our attention. It is called Points For Emphasis and is by Clifton J. Allen. It sells for 95 cents, and may be purchased from Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn. Teachers using the Helping Hand will find additional thoughts for discussion in this book which fits neatly into one's pocket.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

For November 30, 1963

The Grace of Generosity


S. Warren, Higher Education; the Rev. Ernest K. Bee, Publications; the Rev. David S. Clarke, Youth Work; Wayne N. Cranston, Publicity; Mrs. Rachel Kenyon, Dedicated Service.

Gift Subscriptions at Christmastime

Do you get real satisfaction from your giving of presents to loved ones and friends at Christmastime? It is not only revealed biblical truth that "it is more blessed to give than to receive"; it is also an experience-tested proverb. You and I find it to be so. We have also found that it is more blessing in giving a valued present that is continuously appreciated than one which pleases only for the moment or one which provides no real uplift for the spirit. We feel warm inside when we give a helpful gift to one who may not be able to give to us. Gifts, we have found, need to be suited to the recipient. There are many people, who may have in times past contributed something to our spiritual growth who would appreciate such a thoughtful gift as a subscription to the Sabbath Recorder.

Perhaps there is some older person who could be encouraged by the sermons of beloved patriarchs who is a lone Sabbathkeeper or a shut-in. Let's not forget these people or the young folks who are away from home and in need of a Christmas gift. Encourage your Christmas list and claim the blessing of giving to persons as well as to your chosen benevolences. Give the Sabbath Recorder this year — as you perhaps intended to do last year.

CWS Thanksgiving Appeal For Hungry

Protestants will launch a special appeal for $950,000 during the Thanksgiving season to finance the 1964 Share Our Sub­ stance Program, through which more than 10 million of the world's hungry will receive their sustenance this year. The goal for the 1964 SOS appeal was announced by Canon Almon R. Pepper, chairman of the executive committee of Church World Service. The change in the designation of the SOS appeal this year to "Share Our Subs­ tance" from the former "Share Our Surplus" reflects a desire to better express the spirit of sharing between the American Christian community and our friends abroad, said Canon Pepper.

Savings in the 1964 appeal are for the needy in Africa, Asia, Latin America, Europe, and the Middle East. Value of the foods is approximately $25 million.

Funds sought in the SOS appeal are for the necessary costs of food distribution, administration and supervision.

ABS Church Relations Man

The American Bible Society's executive secretary for church relations, Gerald Boyce, died suddenly during the current year leaving a host of appreciative friends.

A new secretary has now been appointed in the person of Dr. John H. McCombe, pictured here. His name will be signed to many of the public relations letters sent to pastors and church leaders. It is anticipated that he will become as well known and respected as his predecessor. He will publicize the 150th Anniversary of the American Bible Society in 1966 and the greatly expanding Bible distribution program contemplated in co-operation with the United Bible Society. Total annual Scripture distribution by UBS is now about 50 million.
Little attention has been given to the vital work of millions of American church women in race relations. The quietly effective impact of United Church Women's "Assignment House" has been furthered by a gift of $22,000 from the Jacob R. Schiff Charitable Trust, which rounds out the full amount of $100,000 needed to carry out the church women's three-year, nation-wide program to combat racial discrimination.

Launched only two years ago at UCW's National Assembly in Miami Beach, it has already succeeded, among other accomplishments, in integrating many interdenominational councils of church women, even in the South, in planning the formation of community committees for human rights and the passage of city ordinances against discrimination.

United Church Women first invited some 12 million Protestant and Eastern Orthodox women to join together in the project known as ASSIGNMENT HOUSE. Immediately many denominations, accepted. Today nearly all the great national women's denominational groups are playing an active part, their major concern being the church itself.

The first emphasis was to bring about full participation of all persons, regardless of race, in local councils of church women. In a border city in the Southwest where Negro and white women worked together for integration of restaurants, they were 

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Published House Manager

Everett T. Harris, Jr., who has been manager of the publishing house of the American Sabbath Tract Society at Plainfield, N. J., since 1960, has announced his resignation, effective sometime in the first half of 1964. He has accepted an offer to join the staff of Salem College. The Supervisory Committee of the Tract Board is actively engaged in seeking a man of business and executive ability to succeed Mr. Harris.

The college in announcing the addition of Mr. Harris states that it is creating a new fund-raising position in order to carry its full responsibility in developing to meet the growing challenge of such a college in the area of higher education.

The change of management which will be necessitated by the resignation of Mr. Harris will not mean a substantial change in the service of the publishing house to the denomination.

Salem College News

O. G. Kennedy, president of the Miles Products Division of Miles Laboratories, Inc., Elkhart, Ind., is the new chairman of the Salem College Board of Directors, Dr. Duane Hurley, president, announced recently.

In accepting his new post Kennedy said, "Salem College seeks to become one of the best liberal arts colleges. Its church affiliation provides an atmosphere of moral responsibility for its board, its faculty, and its students. Its curriculum embraces a concept of free economic enterprise which recognizes the dignity and rights of the individual."

Kennedy, a native of Lost Creek, W. Va., has served on the Salem College Board of Directors for thirteen years. As a member of the board, he has spearheaded a program of deferred scholarships for students who need financial assistance.

Inclusive Baptist Fellowship

in Process of Formation

The Baptist World Alliance has been asked to organize a North American Baptist Fellowship made up of at least six or seven Conventions (including Seventh Day Baptist) to conserve some of the fellowship and Saginaw planning benefits of the Baptist Jubilee Advance which is now in its final year. The organization is in no sense working toward merger — only fellowship and cooperation. A committee met in Washington October 2 and agreed on bylaws.

Members of the committee pictured above: front row (1 to r.) Mrs. William McMurry, of Birmingham, Ala., Southern Convention; the Rev. Dr. Theodore Adams, of Richmond, Va., Southern Convention; the Rev. Dr. Carney Hargrove, of Philadelphia, Pa., American Convention; the Rev. Dr. Carney Hargrove, of Philadelphia, Pa., American Convention; the Rev. Jerry A. Moore, Washington, D.C., National Convention.

Second row, (1 to r.) Rev. Fred Bullen, of Toronto, Canada, Canadian Convention; the Rev. Dr. Martin L. Leuschner, of Forest Park, Ill., North American General Convention; Mr. Porter W. Routh, of Nashville, Tenn., Southern Convention; the Rev. Dr. Edwin H. Tuller, of Valley Forge, Pa., American Convention; and the Rev. Leon Mathby, of Plainfield, N. J., Seventh Day Conference.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

DODGE CENTER, MINN. — Deacon Wallace Greene has taken over the direction of the Intermediate choir from Mrs. Helen Greene who did not feel able to continue in the work.

Pastor Richardson attended the Ministers Retreat of the Bethel Church held on October 19, held in New Auburn, Wisconsin. His wife and children accompanied him. The services in the home church were conducted by Mary Throngate and Wallace Greene, with Claston Bond as the worship leader. It was Laymen's Sabbath.

Temperance Sabbath was observed, Oct. 26, with a special sermon given by the pastor.

Four Juniors, members of the class taught by Claston Bond, have received a prize from "Assignment House." Their essay on "What the Sabbath Means to Me," Claire Greene was elected to head the Christian Fellowship at a recent business meeting. Plans are being made for the year ahead.

The Ladies Aid served dinner to the Mental Health Conference held in the church Monday, November 4.

Two sections of new sidewalk have been laid in front of the church.

Bruce Greene, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Claire Greene, who is in the Reserve Naval Air Force, is home after spending several months in Memphis, Tenn. He plans to find work in his chosen field of Electronics. — Correspondent

FOUKE, ARK. — In our series of Spiritual Renewal meetings our church has been much enriched. It is a revelation for the special meetings we gave out 500 invitations and tracts. During the time that Pastor James Mitchell was with us the average attendance was forty-three. The quarterly average attendance has been about twenty-eight. The meeting brought more than an increase in our membership because our members rededicating her life publicly to the Lord and several did privately.

The pastor and people engaged in a special literature distribution ministry at the fair in September. More than 1,000 tracts and copies of the May special issue of the Sabbath Recorder were given out. The numbers of orders received after the distribution and could find only four pieces of literature discarded.

Ten Second Sermon

The news of the day is often not good news for the world, but the sordid news of the overthrow of the South American Republic of Christ is world news — good news that can change the hearts of those in the under-world and can give to all who are born again the power to live above the world.
Surprising Facts about Suburban Churches

An interdenominational study of Protestant new church building over a three-year period, issued recently by the National Council of Churches, confirms a surprising finding: Suburban areas apparently are not being overchurched, as is often thought; in fact, they may not be getting their proportionate share of new congregations. "Perhaps the most unexpected finding," notes the report, "was that the denominations reported that only 28 per cent of their new congregations were located in metropolitan suburbs. Since these are the areas of most rapid population growth and American 'affluence' and since there is a widespread assumption that they are the almost exclusive points of church extension concentration, the finding is startling. Actually, new churches in substantial numbers are being opened in the central metropolitan cities, the non-metropolitan larger towns and cities, and even in the rural countryside. Protestantism is not putting all its new church eggs in the suburban basket."

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**OUR WORLD MISSION**

**OWM Budget Receipts For October 1963**

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**OCTOBER DISBURSEMENTS**

| Board of Christian Education | $333.48 |
| Historical Society           | 25.00  |
| Ministerial Retirement       | 458.15 |
| Ministerial Education        | 362.65 |
| Missionary Society           | 1,819.30 |
| Tract Society                | 518.38 |
| Trustees of General Conference| 51.84 |
| Women's Society              | 91.34  |
| World Fellowship & Service   | 451.00 |
| General Conference           | 982.75 |

**SUMMARY**

1963 - 1964 OWM Budget $100,510.00

October receipts:

OWM Treasurer $5,071.85

Boards 454.00 5,505.85

Remainder due in 11 months $95,004.15

Needed per month $8,656.74

Percentage of year elapsed 83.5%

Percentage of budget raised 5.47%

Gordon L. Sanford, OWM Treasurer.

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"The Pilgrim Maiden," Kitson's statue standing at Plymouth, Mass., commemorates the determination of our ancestors to establish on American shores a godly, Bible-believing colony.